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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jody E. Beecher, Martin J. Goldberg, and
Glenn H. McGall

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) Before the Examiner:
) Jon D. Epperson, Ph.D.

Serial No.: 09/578,282

) Art Unit:
) 1639

Filed: May 25, 2000

For: CHEMICAL AMPLIFICATION FOR THE
SYNTHESIS OF PATTERNED ARRAYS)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 28, 2002.

In the Specification:

sub 1) Please amend microliter on page 2, line 3 to read --microtiter--.

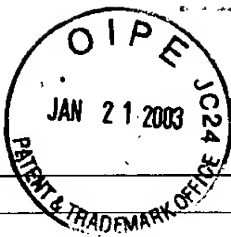
sub 2) Please amend vacinity on page 3, line 25 to read --vicinity--.

In the Claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for removing a protecting group from a reactive functional group comprising the steps of:

- a) forming a surface comprising
i) a radiation sensitive compound or group, said radiation sensitive compound or group producing a catalyst when irradiated, and

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER


In regard to the above identified application, we are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Amendment and Response to Office Action,
2. Version of Amendments with Markings to Show Changes Made; and
3. Return Postcard.

With respect to additional fees, no additional fee is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 21, 2003


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